

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: **Bauchot et al.** § Group Art Unit: **2162**  
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Serial No.: **09/838,420** § Examiner: **Stevens, Robert**  
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Filed: **April 19, 2001** § Attorney Docket No.: **FR920000032US1**  
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For: **Method and System in an** §  
**Electronic Spreadsheet for Managing** §  
**and Handling User-Defined Options** §

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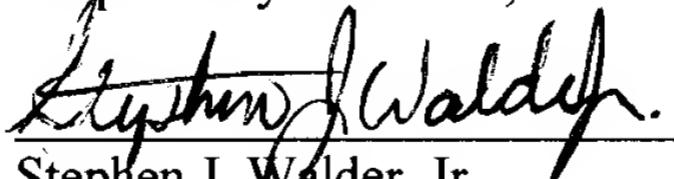
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No fees are believed to be required. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447.

Respectfully submitted,



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